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CAP-206-Rifle River Restoration, MI

Habitat Focus Area

Project Location: The Rifle River is a tributary to Lake Huron, with the project area including the Rifle River Watershed in Arenac and Ogemaw Counties, Michigan. The River discharges into the Saginaw Bay Area of Concern.

Project Description: The project involves planning, design and construction to restore the aquatic ecosystem in the Rifle River Watershed in Arenac and Ogemaw Counties. The project area is experiencing severe bank erosion and results in sediment and nutrient loading of Saginaw Bay. Bank protection measures would be installed to protect the steep banks. This project is authorized under Section 206, Water Resources Development Act of 1996, as amended – Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration.

Non-federal Partner: Huron Pines Conservation Program

Project Benefits: Restore productive aquatic and riparian habitats to improve the ecological function within the overall watershed. Reduce the sediment loading into the Saginaw Bay.

Project Status: A District team met in September 2013 with the local community to see the project area and review schedules and budgets. FY14 funds were used to prepare the Determination of Federal Interest (DFI). No FY15 or FY16 funds were provided to complete the DFI and initiate the Detailed Project Report (DPR). FY17 funds would be used to complete the update the DFI and initiate the DPR.



Estimated Project Costs	
Federal	652,500
Non-Federal	262,500
Total	915,000

Project	Milestones

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